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SUBJECT: STRIKE AT UNITED FRUIT

1. ON AUGUST 8 APPROXIMATELY 180 WORKERS OF THE TELA RAILROAD COMPANY (UNITED FRUIT) SHIPPING CARTON FACTORY AT TELA BEGAN A WILDCAT STRIKE TO PROTEST AN ALLEGEDLY UNFAIR ACTION ON THE PART OF A COMPANY SUPERVISOR. THE WORKERS, FORMING ONE OF THE LOCALS OF SITRATERCO, ARE DEMANDING THE FIRING OF THE SUPERVISOR.

2. A CONTINUING STRIKE WOULD THREATEN THE COMPANY'S EXPORTS SINCE ALL BANANA EXPORTS ARE BOXED. LABMIN FONSECA TOLD POLOFFS TODAY THAT COMPANY HAS ALREADY GIVEN SUSPENSION NOTICES TO 4,000 WORKERS WHO WILL BE SUSPENDED SEPTEMBER 21 IF CARTON PRODUCTION NOT RESUMED.

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3. SITRATERCO OFFICIALS STILL INVOLVED IN YEARLY

CONGRESS AND UNABLE TO DEVOTE FULL ATTENTION TO FINDING
AS SOLUTION. FONSECA'S EFFORTS TO RESOLVE QUESTION
HAVE SO FAR BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL. SE SEPTTEL FOR FONSECA'S
COMPLETE REMARKS AND ANALYSIS.
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